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Recently Accessioned Maps & Atlases

Yardley Taylor. *Map of Loudoun County Virginia from Actual Surveys...* Philadelphia: Thomas Reynolds and Robert Pearsall Smith, 1853. Inkjet print (2018). Map accession 5942.

Virginia Transit Company. *Map of Richmond Showing Bus Lines.* Richmond, Virginia, 1950?. Inkjet print (2018). Map accession

UPCOMING AUTHOR TALK WITH MAX EDELSON***The New Map of Empire: How Britain Imagined America Before Independence***

On Saturday, November 3, 2018, author and associate professor Max Edelson will visit the Library of Virginia to talk about his book *The New Map of Empire: How Britain Imagined America before Independence*, which explores the cartographic record of empire in British America in the generation before the American Revolution. Under orders from King George III to reform the colonies, the Board of Trade dispatched surveyors to map far-flung frontiers, chart coastlines in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, sound Florida's rivers, parcel tropical islands into plantation tracts, and mark boundaries with indigenous nations across the continental interior. Scaled to military standards of resolution, the maps they produced sought to capture the essential attributes of colonial spaces—their natural capacities for agriculture, navigation, and commerce—and give British officials the knowledge they needed to take command over colonization from across the Atlantic.



Britain's vision of imperial control threatened to displace colonists as meaningful agents of empire and diminished what they viewed as their greatest historical accomplishment: settling the New World. As London's mapmakers published these images of order in breathtaking American atlases, Continental and British forces were already engaged in a violent contest over who would control the real spaces they represented. The book features a **dynamic digital archive** of 257 maps and map collections. To register, visit: <https://bit.ly/2ueGvtq>

SAVE THE DATE**2019 Alan M. and Nathalie P. Voorhees Lecture on the History of Cartography**

5943.

Emanuel Bowen. *A New Map of Virginia & Maryland Laid Down from Surveys and Regulated by Astronl. Observat.* London, 1747. Map accession 5944.

Henricus Hondius. *Nova Virginiae Tabula.* Amsterdam, 1639–1642. Map accession 5945.

D. St. George Fraser. *Plan of Clifton Forge, Alleghany County, Virginia.* Richmond, Va.: A. Hoen and Company. 1890. Map accession 5946.

John Lederer. *A Map of the Whole Territory Traversed by John Lederer in His Three Marches.* London: Printed by J[ohn] C[ottrell] for Samuel Heyrick, at Grays-Inne-gate in Holborn. 1672. Inkjet print (2018). Map accession 5947.

Ralph Hall. *Virginia.* London: Printed by T. Cotes for Michael Sparke and Samuel Cartwright, 1635. Inkjet print (2018). Map accession 5948.

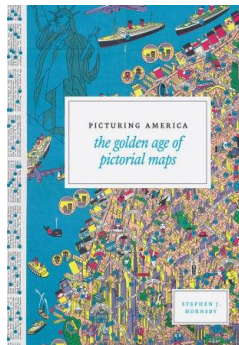
United States Geological Survey. *Dutch Gap Quadrangle.* 1938. 3 copperplates. Map accession 5949.

United States Geological Survey. *Pounding Mill Quadrangle.* 1945. 3 copperplates. Map accession 5950.

Recent Addition to the Book Collection

Christian J. Koot. *A Biography of a Map in Motion: Augustine Herrman's Chesapeake.* New York: New York University Press, 2018.

Evelyn Edson, ed. *Description of the Aegean and Other Islands: A Facsimile of the Manuscript at*



Mark your calendars! The 2019 Voorhees Lecture on the History of Cartography is scheduled for Saturday, April 27. We are pleased to announce that Stephen J. Hornsby has accepted our invitation to speak on pictorial maps. Dr. Hornsby's latest book, *Picturing America: The Golden Age of Pictorial Maps*, was published in 2017. As in previous years, the lecture will be complemented by an exhibition of pictorial maps from the Library's collections. Stay tuned for additional information on the day's schedule.

SPRING PROGRAMS RECAP

2018 Annual Alan M. & Nathalie P. Voorhees Lecture on the History of Cartography: 17th-Century Virginia in Maps

This year's Alan M. and Nathalie P. Voorhees Lecture was held at the Library of Virginia on Saturday, April 28. **Dr. Martin Gallivan**, anthropology professor at the College of William and Mary, spoke on "The Map of Virginia: Algonquian and English Cartography in the 17th-Century Chesapeake." Dr. Gallivan's research is focused on the Powhatan Indian's construction of towns and how this transcribed the landscape before the arrival of English settlers. In this talk he discussed Algonquian and English cartography as it relates to the map of Virginia.

Dr. Buck Woodard, professorial lecturer of anthropology at American University, shared his knowledge on "Mapping Colonialism: British Cartography of Indigenous Lands." Dr. Woodard's research centers on indigenous peoples of North America with a focus on Eastern Woodlands. The Fry-Jefferson Map Society was honored to have them both participate in this annual event.



Two tours of Special Collections were conducted by Audrey McElhinney, the Library's senior manuscript, map, and rare book librarian.

*the James Ford Bell Library,
University of Minnesota. New
York: Italica Press, 2018.*

**Upcoming book by Susan
Schulten:**

Susan Schulten. *A History of
America in 100 Maps*. Chicago:
University of Chicago Press,
forthcoming. [https://www.
press.uchicago.edu/ucp/books/
book/chicago/H/bo29613841.html](https://www.press.uchicago.edu/ucp/books/book/chicago/H/bo29613841.html)

Recent Acquisitions

**In fiscal year 2018 the Library
acquired several maps,
including:**

Afro Travel Bureau. *Travel Guide
of Negro Hotels and Guest
Houses*. Baltimore: Afro-
American Newspapers, 1942.

Jedidiah Hotchkiss. *Virginia Hot
Springs Company of the Warm
Springs Valley Showing
Railways, Roads, and Paths,
Leading to the Healing, Hot and
Warm Springs*. Washington,
D.C.: The Norris-Peters Co.,
1895, rev. 1903.

Emmanuel Bowen. *A New Map
of Virginia & Maryland Laid Down
from Surveys and Regulated by
Atroni. Observat.* London, 1747.
Henricus Hondius. *Nova
Virginiae Tabula*. Amsterdam,
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D. St. George Fraser. *Plan of
Clifton Forge, Alleghany County,
Virginia*. Richmond, Va.: A. Hoen
and Company, 1890.

United States Geological Survey.
Dutch Gap Quadrangle. 3
copperplates. 1938.

United States Geological Survey.
Pounding Mill Quadrangle. 3
copperplates. 1945.



The Library's senior map archivist, Cassandra Britt Farrell, led a sold-out Online Map Resources Workshop to help participants learn to identify online resources available for research.



An exhibition of 17th-century Virginia maps arranged by topic was on display throughout the day.

John Smith's Map of Virginia Workshop

On March 24, the Library of Virginia's senior map archivist, Cassandra Britt Farrell, explored the differences between the states of Smith's map of Virginia and its many derivatives, including the fascinating images displayed on these pictorial maps. Captain John Smith published a map of Virginia in 1612 to accompany a booklet entitled "Map of Virginia." This map became the "mother" map of Virginia, influencing European mapmakers as they printed maps of the colony for inclusion in atlases. As a result, multiple derivatives entered the book market. Farrell discussed information about the individuals who copied Smith's map and the variety of atlases and books in which these maps are included.

Recently, the Library purchased another derivative of John Smith's well-known map of Virginia (shown below). Henricus Hondius based his map of the colony on that of his brother's, Jodocus Hondius Jr. This is the only Smith derivative to show the Susquehannah Indian facing the Chesapeake Bay.

L. H. Russell, Civil Engineer. *Map of the New Convalescent Camp. Fairfax Co. Va. Four Miles S.W. from Washington D.C.* Philadelphia: E. J. Maddox, 1863.

If you missed this great workshop, visit our Google Arts & Culture exhibition for more information and to view many of the derivatives: <https://artsandculture.google.com/exhibit/oAKyt5Px4l6KQ>

Recent Government Documents Added to the Books Collection

National Park Service. *Summer Guide... Denali National Park and Preserve*. Washington, D.C.: National Service, 2018. Call Number: I 29.9/2:D 41/2018.

National Park Service. *Oregon Trail/Oregon National Historic Trail*. Washington, D.C.: National Park Service, 2018. Call number: I 29.88/3:OR 3/2018.

National Park Service. *Muir Woods National Monument*. Washington, D.C.: National Park Service, 2018. Call number: I 29.21:M 89/2/2018/CORR.

National Park Service. *Fossil Butte National Monument, Wyoming*. Washington, D.C.: National Park Service, 2018. Call number: I 29.21:F 79/3/2018.:F79/3/2018.

WHO WAS R. B. JAMES?

Last year Library of Virginia staff members established a plan to catalog our collection of Richmond city maps. The Library of Virginia served as city's main library for many years and collected numerous maps documenting its growth and development, including a photostat copy of a manuscript map by R. B. James. Library staff surmise that the photostat was made before World War II; unfortunately, an accession record is not extant and the name of the lending institution is not recorded.

Robert B. James served as principal surveyor in Virginia for the North American Land Company. His involvement in Richmond affairs is documented in city court records and newspapers, which reference his plan of the city of Richmond and his work as a surveyor. *The Virginian* published his obituary in its June 14, 1808, publication.

James's map entitled *A Plan of the City of Richmond in Henrico County, State of Virginia* is dated September 24, 1804. A subscriber, still unknown, is referenced, as are city wards, lot numbers, and waterways. An inset of the 100-acre lots drawn in William Byrd II's 1737 lottery is included. Staff members continue to search for the original manuscript plan.

More Photos from the 2018 Voorhees Lecture



Dr. Martin Gallivan discussed "Algonquian and English Cartography in the 17th-Century Chesapeake."

LVA ACQUIRES NEW OVERSIZED MAP CABINETS

The Library of Virginia recently acquired two cabinets for oversized maps. Constructed and installed by Delta Designs, the cabinets are much-needed additions to house the Library's numerous oversized manuscript maps and published maps. Currently, Audrey McElhinney is coordinating the conservation of several manuscript county maps completed by John Wood in 1820. The conservation process includes rejoining map sheets. This significantly increases the size of the maps, making them too large to store in traditional map cases. As a result, many Wood maps will be housed in the oversized cabinets.



Dr. Buck Woodard described elements of British cartography on indigenous land in colonial America to participants.



Cassandra Britt-Farrell, senior map archivist, views an oversized map now housed in the new cabinet.



Tours of Special Collections



Eliane Dotson, Fry-Jefferson Map Society Steering Committee member and owner of Old World Auctions, met with participants for map appraisals prior to the lecture.

NEWS FROM RECENT GEOGRAPHIC NAMES AUTHORITIES CONFERENCES

The Council of Geographic Names Authorities met in Tacoma, Washington, June 19–23, 2018, for its annual conference. State representatives reported on naming activities within the last year. Controversial name changes were proposed for features in Yellowstone National Park, 16 name replacements were approved in Oregon, and the Nevada representative reported that the Nevada Board on Geographic Names has to post an audio recording of their meetings within 30 days to be ADA compliant. In Minnesota and Nevada, features named after Jefferson Davis are being contested; in Nevada proposals have been made to rename Jefferson Davis Peak located on the Nevada-California border, and in Minnesota, the name of Lake Calhoun in Minneapolis has been changed to Bole Maka Ska. Due to the eruption of Mt. Kilauea in Hawaii, the state has lost a bay and other land features that no longer exist because of lava flow.

The Washington State Geographic Names Committee met at Tacoma. This board is made up of representatives from different state agencies and includes one tribal member. Its website lists the board's current geographic name proposals and access to taped versions of its meetings. Each year members attend public acts training. Several papers were presented on topics such as Washington state names (those features named as a result of the Hudson Bay Company's presence) and the influence of DuPont in the state.

The United States Board on Geographic Names met and voted on several name proposals and announced the interim policy for tribal geographic names. Please consult chapter 3, article 10, of the U.S. Board on Geographic Names Principles, Policies, and Procedures for more information (<https://geonames.usgs.gov/docs/PPP%202016.pdf>).

The mission of the Fry-Jefferson Map Society is to develop, enhance, and promote the cartographic collections of the Library of Virginia.

Please visit our website at www.lva.virginia.gov/involved/f-jms.htm.



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